MAY I COME IN?

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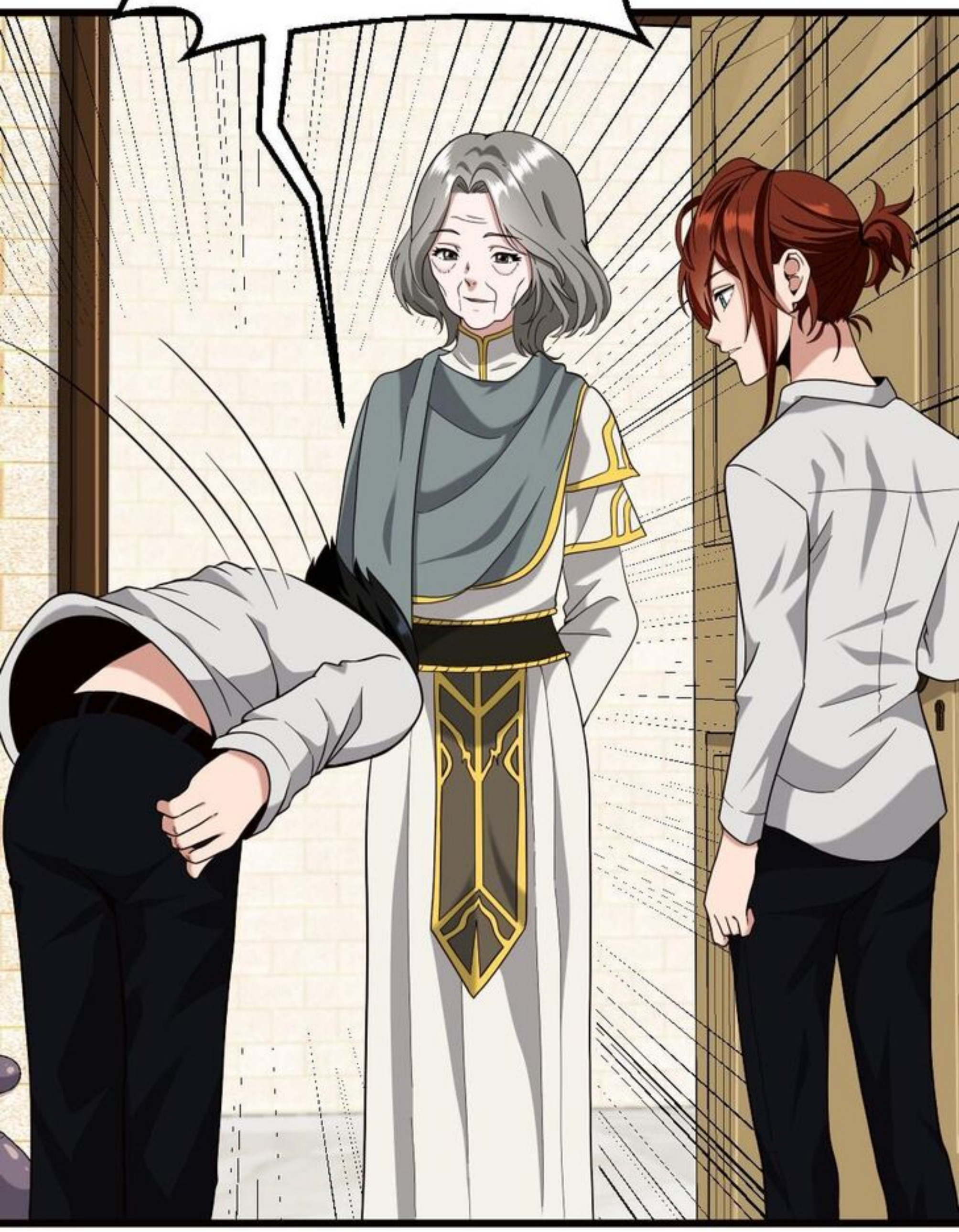
D-DIRECTOR GOODSKY?!

IT'S AN HONOR
TO MEET YOU UP CLOSE
AND IN PERSON!



ELIJAH,
YES?

I'VE HEARD GREAT THINGS ABOUT YOU FROM VINCENT.

PLEASE COME IN, DIRECTOR GOODSKY.

HE HE

I'LL GET US SOMETHING TO DRINK DOWNSTAIRS.

OH,
THANK YOU
DEAR.

I TOLD YOU
TO CALL ME
CYNTHIA.

AND I TOLD YOU
I WOULDN'T.

IT SEEMS LIKE YOUR BOND ISN'T THE ONLY ONE WHO'S CHANGED.

I CAN ONLY SENSE YOUR WIND AND EARTH-ATTRIBUTE MANA. ARE YOU USING A SEAL, BY ANY CHANCE?

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...CAN'T SAY I'M NOT DISSAPOINTED.

I WAS HOPING TO GO AROUND FLAUNTING YOU AS MY LITTLE QUADRA-ELEMENTAL PROTEGE.

I'M GLAD TO SEE
YOU'VE OPTED TO BE
A SCHOLAR MAGE--
AS I EXPECTED.

I WAS PLANNING
ON TELLING YOU THIS
WHEN I GOT THE CHANCE
TO VISIT YOU, BUT...

I MADE A TROUBLESOME ENEMY WHILE I WAS AN ADVENTURER,

AND I'D RATHER NOT GIVE HIM ANY REASON TO SUSPECT ME--AT LEAST FOR NOW.

TO CALL THE BROTHER OF A LANCE AND HEIR TO ONE OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL MILITARY HOUSES A MERE 'TROUBLESOME' ENEMY...

I'M ALMOST WORRIED WHO YOUR REAL ENEMIES WILL BE IN THE FUTURE.

I GUESS THEY WOULDN'T KEEP THAT FROM YOU.

WHAT AN OMINOUS THING TO SAY TO A PRE-TEEN BOY JUST STARTING HIS SCHOOL LIFE.

HAHA

YOU'RE RIGHT. MY APOLOGIES.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

BUT SPEAKING OF SCHOOL LIFE, I DID WANT YOUR HELP WITH ANOTHER MATTER.

HMM?
AND WHAT MIGHT
THAT BE?

I WANT TO TAKE
HIGHER LEVEL MANA
THEORY CLASSES, ESPECIALLY
THOSE ON DEVIANTS.

THAT WOULDN'T BE TOO DIFFICULT TO DO,

BUT I THOUGHT ONE OF YOUR MAIN REASONS FOR ATTENDING THIS ACADEMY SO LATE WAS TO FIT IN WITH YOUR PEERS.

I WOULD TAKE THESE CLASSES ON TOP OF THE NORMAL ONES WITH STUDENTS MY OWN AGE.

I'M JUST A BIT IMPATIENT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT DEVIANT MANA MANIPULATION SINCE I'VE HIT A CEILING ON THAT RECENTLY.

AND BECAUSE THERE'S NOTHING CLOSE TO DEVIATION MAGIC IN MY OLD WORLD.

VERY WELL.

I'LL MAKE
IT HAPPEN.

I CAN EVEN
GIVE YOU A PASS
SO YOU CAN OBSERVE
THE TOP UPPER CLASS
MAGES' MOCK BATTLES
AS WELL.

WOW.

OKAY.

SO WHAT'S THE CATCH?

ARTHUR. LEYWIN!

YOU'RE BEING RUDE TO THE DIRECTOR!

HOW CAN YOU MISTAKE HER KINDNESS FOR ULTERIOR MOTIVES?!

NO NO,
I DID HAVE
AN ULTERIOR
MOTIVE.
AH...

YOU ARE AWARE OF
THE STUDENT COUNCIL,
YES?

WELL IF THEY ARE WHAT YOU WOULD CALL THE SHIELDS OF THIS SCHOOL,

THIS YEAR
I DECIDED TO MAKE
THE SWORDS.

I WANT YOU TO JOIN THE *DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE.*

THE...WHAT?

AS YOU'VE
ALREADY WITNESSED,
AN ACADEMY FULL OF
YOUNG HORMONAL MAGES
BROUGHT UP THINKING
THEY'RE WORTH THEIR WEIGHT
IN GOLD OFTENTIMES
LEADS TO... PROBLEMS.

GO FIGURE.

THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE WILL BE THE ONE RESPONSIBLE FOR UPHOLDING PEACE AND ENFORCING RULES IN OUR LITTLE SCHOOL GROUNDS.

HUH? IS THAT EVEN SOMETHING A FIRST-YEAR STUDENT SHOULD BE A PART OF?

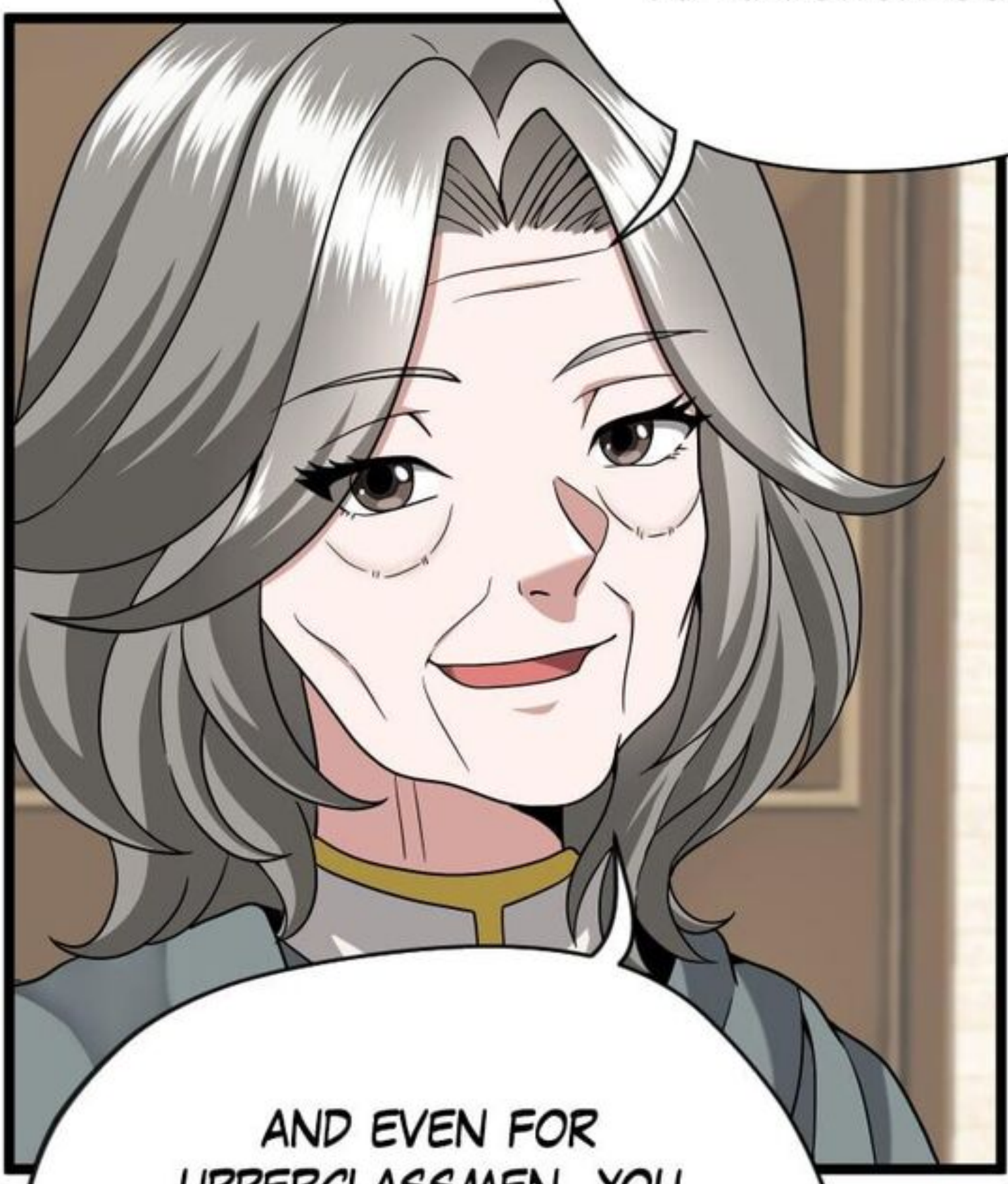
I'M NOT EVEN A BATTLE MAGE.

MY SCHOOL,
MY RULES.

FORGET IT,
I DON'T NEED THE
THEORY CLASSES.

I'LL JUST TEACH
MYSELF FROM THE
BOOKS IN THE
LIBRARY.

THOSE BOOKS AREN'T ACCESSIBLE TO UNDERCLASSMEN,



AND EVEN FOR UPPERCLASSMEN, YOU WOULD NEED TO SHOW THAT YOU ARE A DEVIANT...

WHICH IS SOMETHING YOU CAN'T DO RIGHT NOW.

AM I RIGHT?

...

WHY DO THESE TWO SEEM LIKE OLD FRIENDS INSTEAD OF DIRECTOR AND STUDENT?

BESIDES, THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE MEMBERS WERE CHOSEN FOR THEIR STRENGTH, SO YOU'LL HAVE PEERS THAT YOU CAN REGULARLY SPAR AND LEARN FROM.

I'LL EVEN THROW IN ACCESS TO A PRIVATE TRAINING FACILITY AS WELL.

YOU SAY THE MEMBERS WERE CHOSEN FOR THEIR STRENGTH...

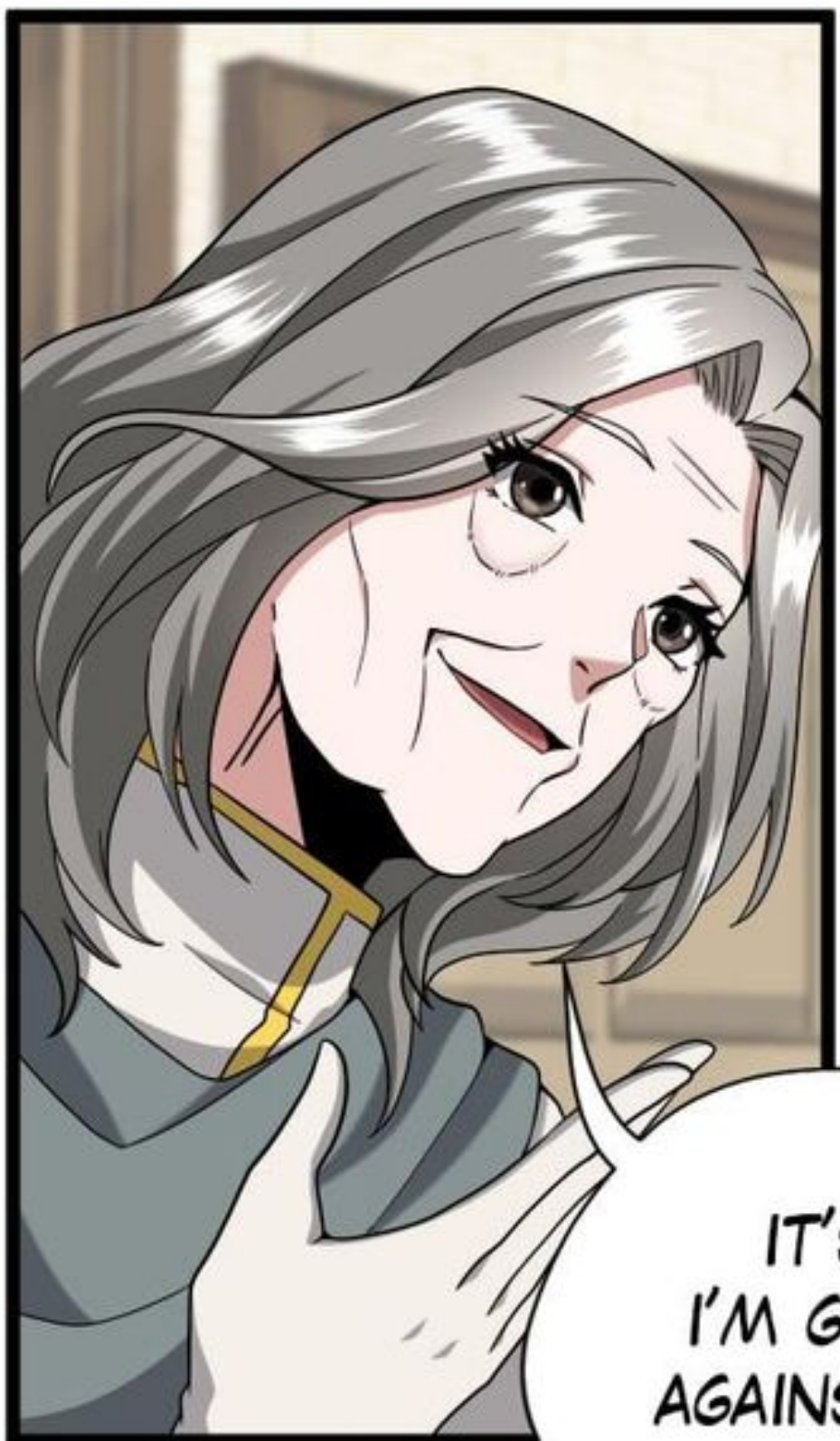
DOES THAT MEAN--

DESPITE HOUSE WYKES' INSISTENCE ON GIVING A SPOT TO LUCAS,

I DECLINED THEM

IN THE HOPES THAT
YOU WOULD JOIN.

YOU'VE REALLY
PREPARED THOROUGHLY,
HAVEN'T YOU...

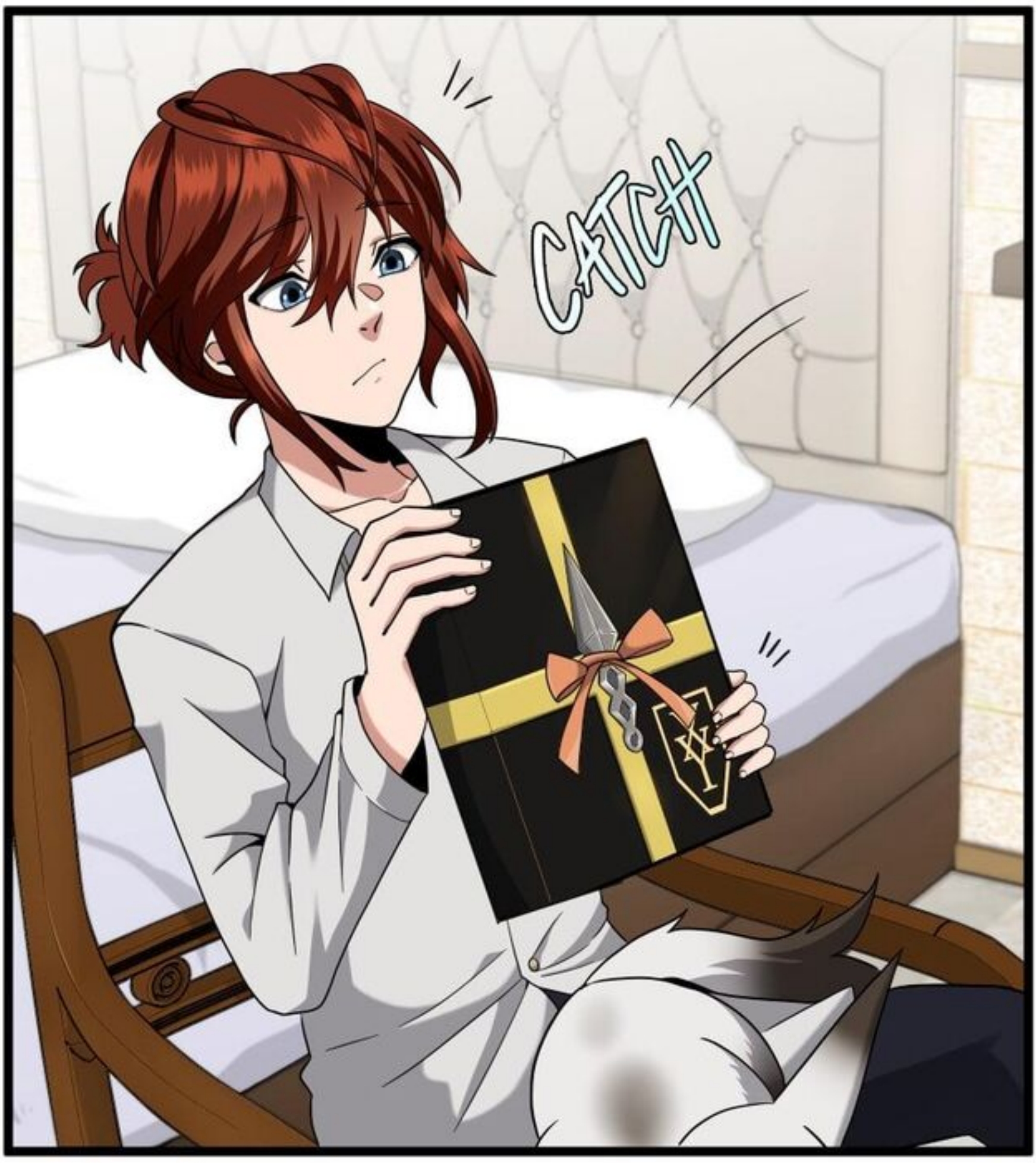


IT'S YOU
I'M GOING UP
AGAINST AFTER

ALL...

FINE.
BUT THAT TRAINING FACILITY BETTER BE ONE OF THOSE MANA-RICH ONES.

ALREADY DONE.


CATCH

I'VE ALREADY TAKEN
THE LIBERTY OF GETTING
A DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE
UNIFORM TAILORED
FOR YOU.

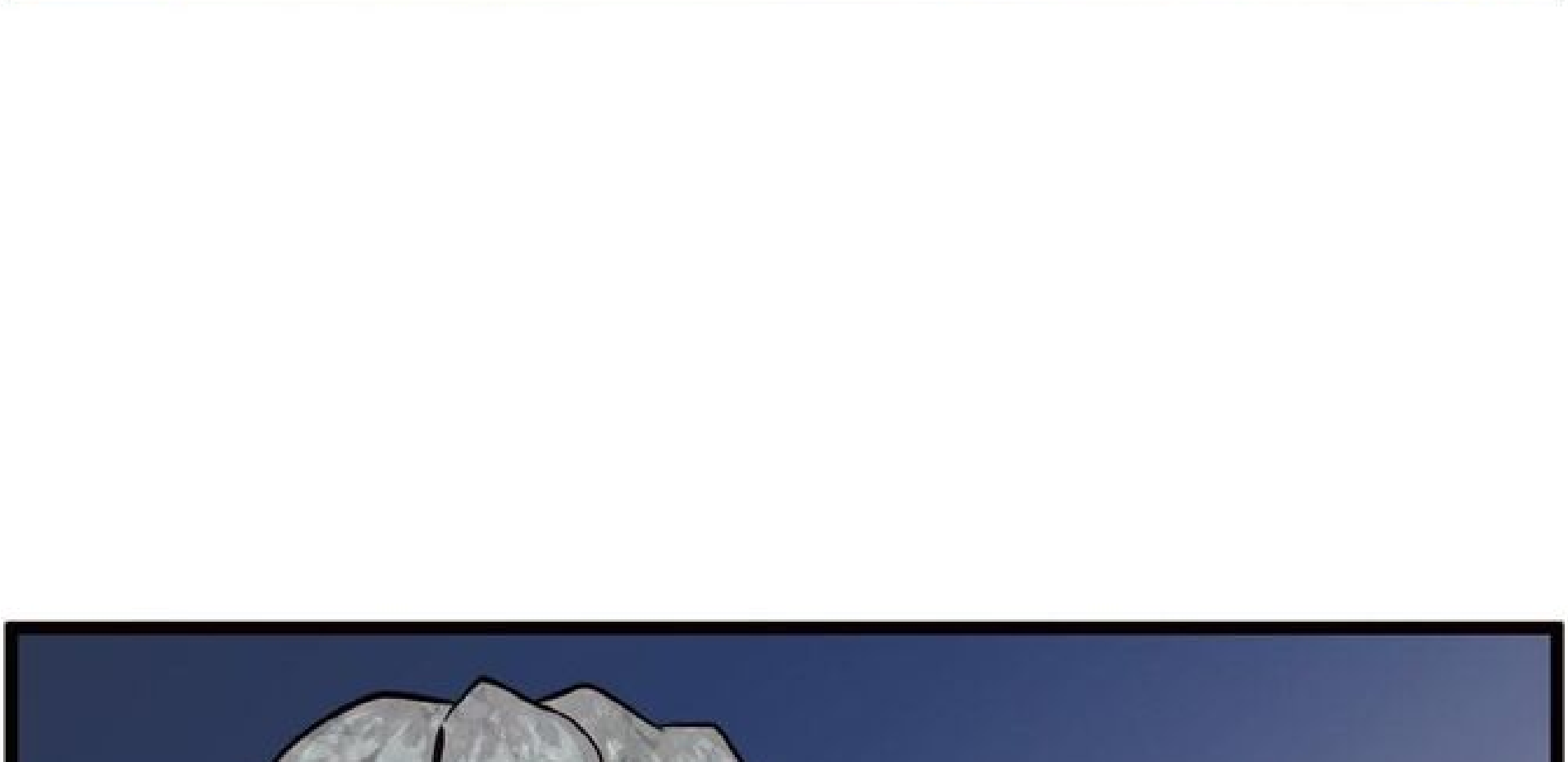
IT KIND OF
PISSES ME OFF THAT
SHE ALREADY KNEW
I WAS GOING TO
ACCEPT.

OH, AND ARTHUR?

PLEASE MAKE UP WITH STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT TESSIA SOON.

IT'S NOT GOOD TO STAY MAD AT YOUR...

CHILDHOOD.
FRIEND.



TESSIA ERALITH
IS YOUR CHILDHOOD
FRIEND?!

THE BEGINNING AFTER THE END

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TAPAS MEDIA

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SORRY,
I WAS GOING TO TELL YOU EVENTUALLY. IT JUST SORT OF TURNED OUT THAT WAY.

IT'S OKAY...

I, TOO HAVE
WHAT YOU MIGHT CALL A
"CHILDHOOD FRIEND"...

LET'S GO ON A DATE ELIJAH~

NOOOO

HER NAME WAS HELGARTH.

I-I SEE--
SHE SOUNDS LIKE
A LOVELY LITTLE
GIRL...

LILIA,
PRINCESS KATHYLN
AND NOW EVEN PRINCESS
TESSIA...

WHAT'S NEXT?
ARE YOU GOING TO
START FLIRTING
WITH GODS?

HEY,
I NEVER FLIRTED
WITH ANYONE!

THAT MAKES IT EVEN WORSE!
DO YOU JUST OOZE ATTRACTIVE PHEROMONES?

YOU'RE SO WEIRD...
I WANT SOME OF THOSE PHEROMONES TOO~

THAT'S WHY YOU LOVE ME. 'CUZ YOU'RE A WEIRDO TOO.

SCRAM

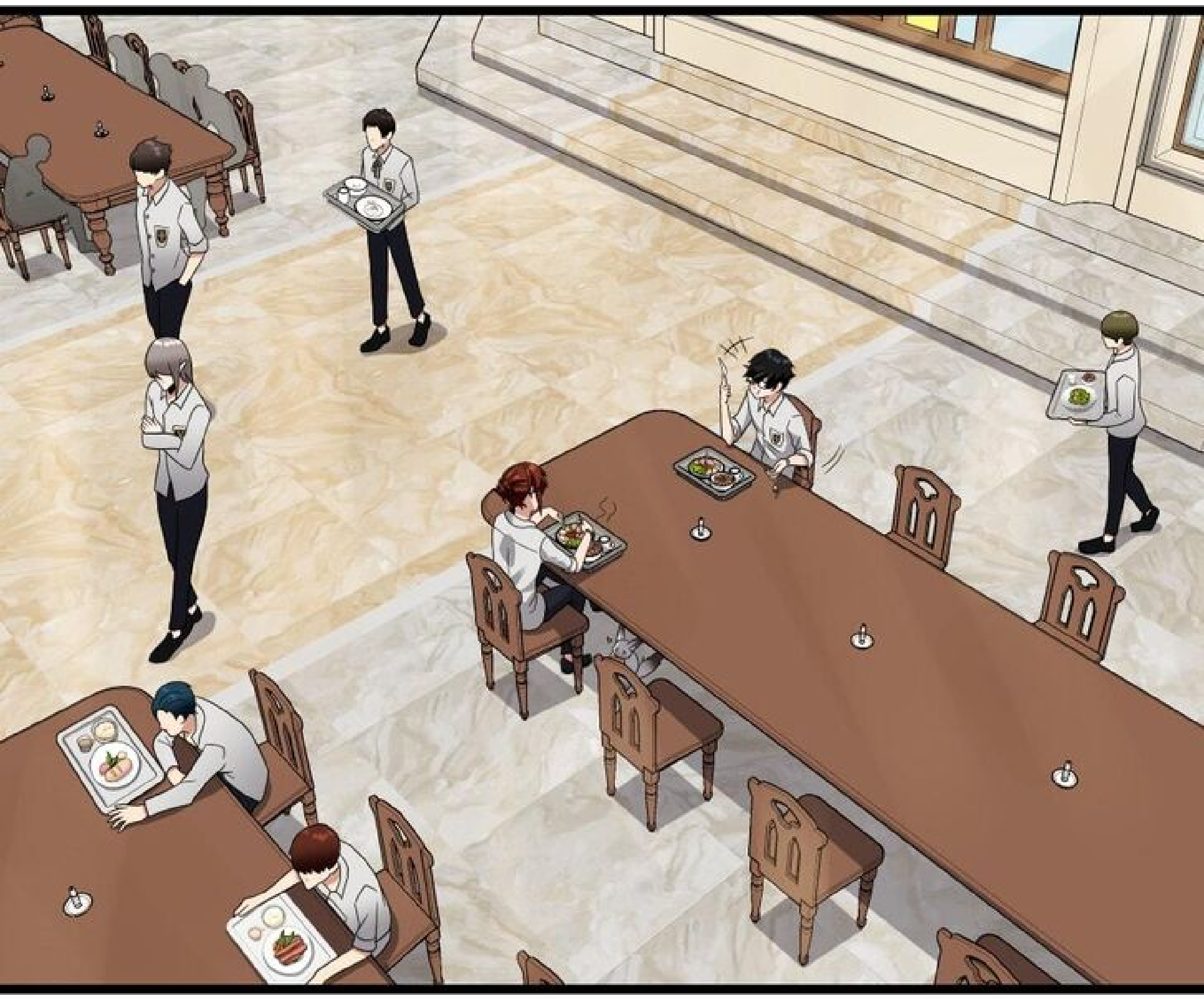
AH!
WAIT UP!

LOOKS LIKE
THE RUMORS ABOUT YOU
HAVE ALREADY SPREAD.

DON'T MIND
TH--

I'M SO POPULAR ALREADY.

YOU REALLY ARE A WEIRDO.



EXCUSE ME.
I COULDN'T HELP
BUT NOTICE THAT YOU'RE
WASTING YOUR TIME WITH
SOMEONE BENEATH YOU.

MY NAME IS
CHARLES RAVENPOR II,
OF THE FAMOUS
RAVENPOR HOUSE.

WELL I'M FEELING RATHER MAGNANIMOUS TODAY.

I'LL ALLOW YOU
TO JOIN MY GROUP.
I CAN ASSURE YOU
THAT YOU WON'T
REGRET IT.

HUH?

THE RAVENPOOP FAMILY?

PFFT!!

I'M PRETTY SURE A NOBLE FAMILY WOULDN'T BE NAMED AFTER BIRD FECES.

AH, SORRY.
I MUST'VE MISHEARD
THEN.

ENOUGH!

YOU DARE MOCK NOBILITY?

I'VE GONE OUT OF
MY WAY TO WELCOME YOU INTO
MY GROUP SO THAT YOU DON'T LOWER
YOURSELF BY HANGING OUT WITH
THIS TROUBLE-MAKING
SCHOLAR TRASH,

BUT YOU SPIT
IN MY FACE?

WHY WOULD I GO
WITH SOMEONE WHO
BLATANTLY LOOKS DOWN
ON MY BEST FRIEND?

WE'RE ALL MAGES IN THIS ACADEMY, SO GET OFF YOUR HIGH HORSE!

WE'RE ALL MAGES, YOU SAY? YOU MUST'VE LIVED IN A CAVE OR SOMETHING IF YOU DON'T KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN US AND THEM.

I HAVE LIVED IN A CAVE!
AND EVEN THE STUDENT COUNCIL IS SAYING THAT WE SHOULDN'T TREAT EACH OTHER DIFFERENTLY!

OF COURSE THEY WOULD, IT'S ALL POLITICS AND APPEARANCES

BUT IT AIN'T REALITY.

LOOKS LIKE
THE ONLY WAY FOR
YOU TO REALIZE THE
DIFFERENCE IS TO WITNESS
IT FIRSTHAND!

WHAT HIT ME?

WHAT HIT ME!

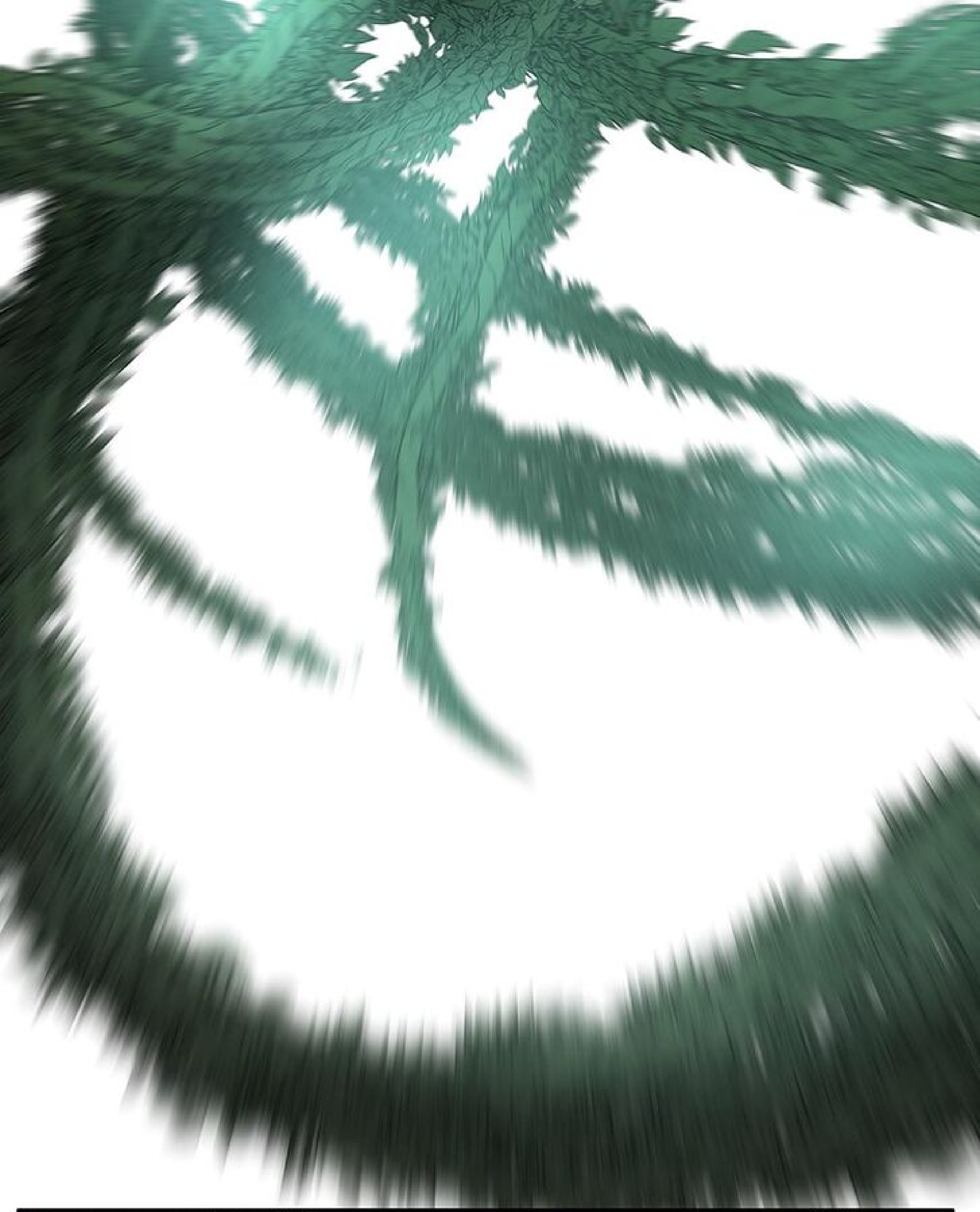
I COULDN'T EVEN SEE IT.

THAT MUST'VE BEEN A FLUKE.

THERE'S NO WAY A SCHOLAR BRAT COULD MOVE THAT FAST!

I MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET AWAY WITH USING MAGIC,

BUT ELIJAH...



#450 Ending

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